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PRODUCTION ORIENTED WELFARE SCHEME
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Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government has finalized the Production Oriented Welfare Scheme for Coir workers; and

(b): if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a): The Central Government has approved the `Productivity Enhancement Linked Coir Workers` Welfare Scheme` for implementation during 2005-06, on an experimental basis, at a total cost of Rs. 130 lakh.

(b): The activities envisaged under the scheme (to be implemented by the Coir Board in clusters with higher concentration of coir-workers) include:

(i) Setting up Common Facility Centres for white fibre extraction by mechanical means, for dyeing & bleaching and stenciling.

(ii) Construction of worksheds at traditional coir fibre extraction sites and yarn spinning sites, subject to a maximum of Rs. 15,000/- per workshed.

(iii) Provision for drinking water and toilet facilities at work site.

(iv) Establishment for creche attached to work site, community hall/rest room.

(v) Construction of foot bridges across canals to work sites critical for development of industry in a village.